

## TAKE SOME SPIES, BENNY

Benny Goodman and his famous jazz orchestra are among the U. S. cultural groups scheduled to tour Soviet Russia this year under a culture-exchange agreement just concluded between Washington and Moscow.



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The alleged cultural delights that Americans are to get from Russia include the Bolshoi Theatre Ballet and the Ukrainian Dance Ensemble.

We can't congratulate Benny Goodman and his music-makers. Rather, we pity them regarding their planned pilgrimage among the punk hotels, bad food, inferior liquor, cockroaches and rats of the Soviet Union.

We can suggest, though, a patriotic job which they ought to perform. Mr. Goodman should arrange with the Central Intelligence Agency to sneak a goodly collection of capable spies into his group of strolling musicians, to pick up what information they can in Russia.

It's notorious that Russian cultural groups coming to the United States are loaded with Soviet spies. Why let Khrushchev out-general Kennedy in this sector of the cold war?

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